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27 March 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 27 March 1968



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DD/I furnished the Director the OCI comments on an ACDA paper on the nuclear proliferation treaty which has been prepared for the National Security Council.

Godfrey noted that the National Union has scheduled a march in Panama City for 10 a.m. today and that OCI will produce a Sitrep this morning if events require it.

Godfrey observed that the purge of the Chinese Army Chief of Staff and two other officials, as well as the appointment of an apparent conservative to Army Chief of Staff, suggests that the moderates are sufficiently strong to force changes at senior levels of the hierarchy.

D/ONE advised that USIB consideration of the Soviet space Estimate will be postponed a week in order to compose differences with the Air Force.

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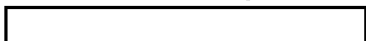


Carver advised that he had received a draft article -- prepared by Alain Enthoven's office for a Defense periodical -- which assesses the role of intelligence in connection with the Tet offensive, and that he has undertaken action to kill publication.

Carver drew attention to a cable from Saigon which relays a statement of enemy military objectives in Vietnam

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Warner advised that Senator Baker has requested and will receive a background briefing on Panama and Guatemala.

Warner reported that the Director is scheduled to see Senator Stennis at 1000 next Tuesday.

The Director indicated he will review with DD/I and Bross a telephone call he received yesterday from [redacted] in connection with the PSAC Vietnam study panel.

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A-DD/P noted that the AP is following up on Roche's references to CIA funding of the RD program.

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DDCI advised D/ONE that he is proposing two minor changes in the Latin American Estimate.

Bross advised that the briefing of General Maxwell Taylor concerning enemy order of battle figures in Vietnam has been postponed until the end of next week.

The Director advised that Deputy Secretary Nitze concurred in the Agency letter to Senator Fulbright. The Director provided DD/I a

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memorandum prepared by Nitze concerning enemy strength figures in Vietnam.

The Director indicated that upon completion of the CIA/DIA reconciliation of order of battle figures in Vietnam, he wishes to communicate said strength figures to Ambassador Bunker immediately. In this connection, DD/I advised that work should be completed on the strength figures early next week. The Director asked DDCI to urge Admiral Lowrance to discontinue publishing any strength figures until the study is completed.

ACTIONS:



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